

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

DEJUAN E. SIMS, SR., ID # 1673128, §
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Petitioner, §
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v. § No. 3:19-cv-2458-X-BH
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LORIE DAVIS, Director, Texas §
Department of Criminal Justice, §
Correctional Institutions Division, §
§
Respondent. §

**ORDER ACCEPTING FINDINGS, CONCLUSION, AND
RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

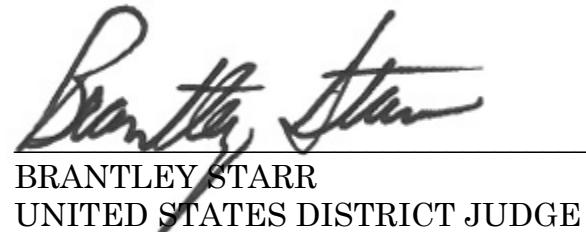
After reviewing all relevant matters of record in this case, including the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge and any objections thereto, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), the Court is of the opinion that the Findings and Conclusions of the Magistrate Judge are correct and they are accepted as the Findings and Conclusions of the Court.

For the reasons stated in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, Lorie Davis, the Director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Correctional Institutions Division, is **SUBSTITUTED** as the proper respondent in this case and Bryan Collier is terminated as the respondent. By separate judgment, the petition for habeas corpus relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 will be **DENIED** with prejudice as barred by the statute of limitations.

In accordance with Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 22(b) and 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c) and after considering the record in this case and the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, the petitioner is **DENIED** a Certificate of Appealability. The Court adopts and incorporates by reference the Magistrate Judge's Findings, Conclusions and Recommendation in support of its finding that the petitioner has failed to show (1) that reasonable jurists would find this Court's "assessment of the constitutional claims debatable or wrong," or (2) that reasonable jurists would find "it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a constitutional right" and "debatable whether [this Court] was correct in its procedural ruling." *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000).

If the petitioner files a notice of appeal, he must pay the \$505.00 appellate filing fee or submit a motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* and a properly signed certificate of inmate trust account.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 1st day of October, 2020.



BRANTLEY STARR
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE